## Application of

Total Environmental Solutions, Inc.

For Approval of an Adjustment in Rates and Charges for Water and Sewer Services

Hearing Date: August 4, 2004



Docket No. 2004-90-W/S

Surrebuttal Testimony of William O. Richardson Utilities Department

Public Service Commission of South Carolina

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#### Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS AND OCCUPATION.

- A. William O. Richardson, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. I am employed by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Utilities Department, as Chief of the Water and Wastewater Area.
- Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?
- A. The purpose of my surrebuttal testimony is to address an issue raised by Witness Shambaugh in his rebuttal testimony, specifically lines 5-7 on page 19 and to provide new rates as shown on Utilities Department Surrebuttal Exhibit No. 2, due to the audit department's allowance of purchased water for year ending 12-31-03; and contract operations expenses for the wastewater treatment plant for the known and measurable changes for year ending 12-31-03.
  - Mr. Shambaugh states in his rebuttal testimony, on page 19 beginning line 5, "The rates established in 1996 were still below cost of service and employed customer tariff rate designs that are discriminatory within the classes." Shown on Utilities Department Surrebuttal Exhibit No. 1, page 1 of 2, is a copy of the proposed rates (User Fees Monthly) requested by the Company (Mountain Bay Estates Utility Co. Inc.) in Docket No. 93-670-W/S. Shown on Utilities Department Surrebuttal Exhibit No. 1, page 2 of 2 is the rates approved by the Commission in that same case. The only difference is the residential and RV rates which are different form the Company's requested rates by \$1.05 residential and \$1.10 for the RV section (both water and sewer). In addition, the rate design adopted by the Commission in the last case is the rate design that Mountain Bay asked for in its application.
  - Shown on Utilities Department Surrebuttal Exhibit No. 2 are the revised operating margins and revised rates required to produce those new margins.
- Q. DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR SURREBUTTALTESTIMONY?
- A. Yes it does.

#### Utilities Department Surrebuttal Exhibit No. 1 Page 1 of 2

**EXHIBIT 3** 

#### **SECTION 3**

Mountain Bay Estates Utility Co., Inc.

Proposed Rate Schedule

<u>User Fees – Monthly</u>

#### Water:

Residential Per Lot \$20.00 flat rate

Commercial Per Tap \$30.00 flat rate

RV Sections Per RV Lot \$10.00 flat rate

Services provided to multiple condominium units will be billed at \$20.00 per unit

Services provided to commercial units will be billed at \$ 30.00 per tap

#### **SEWER:**

Residential	Per Lot	\$ 30.00 flat rate
Commercial	Per Tap	\$ 35.00 flat rate
RV Sections	Per RV Lot	\$ 10.00 flat rate

Services provided to multiple condominium units will be billed at \$ 30.00 per unit.

Services provided to commercial units will be billed at \$ 35.00 per tap.

NOTE: The Commercial taps consist of a Golf Pro Shop, Golf Maintenance Facility, two Clubhouses with swimming pools, Convenience Store, four Comfort Stations and four Office Buildings,

#### Utilities Department Surrebuttal Exhibit No. 1 Page 2 of 2

#### APPENDIX A

# MOUNTAIN BAY ESTATES UTILITY COMPANY, INC. MS. PATSY LAND 2299 DOCTOR JOHNS RD. WESTMINSTER, s. c. 29693 (864) 647-9514

FILED PURSUANT TO DOCKET NO. 93-670-W/S ORDER NO. 97-392 EFFECTIVE DATE: MAY 12, 1997

#### SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED RATES AND CHARGES

#### User Fees - Monthly

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Water:		
Residential Commercial RV Sections	per lot per tap per RV lot	\$ 18.95 flat rate \$ 30.00 flat rate \$ 8.90 flat rate
Services provide condominium un	\$ 18.95 per unit	
Services provide units will be bille	\$ 30.00 per tap	
Connection fee (	\$250.00	
Disconnect/Reconnect At Customer's Request		\$ 50.00
Disconnect/Reconnect For Delinquent Account		\$ 50.00
Sewer:		
Residential Commercial RV Sections	per lot per tap per RV lot	\$ 28.95 flat rate \$ 35.00 flat rate \$ 8.90 flat rate
Services provide condominium un	d to multiple its will be billed at	\$ 18.95 per unit
Services provided to commercial units will be billed at		\$ 30.00 per tap

\$400.00

Connection fee (new customer)

#### UTILITIES DEPARTMENT SURREBUTTAL EXHIBIT NO. 2

#### Total Environmental Solutions, Inc. Revised Alternate Revenue Requirements Test Year Ended December 31, 2002

		Revenue Required After Increase		water bill sewer bill				
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			residential \$	commercial \$	С	harge	С	harge
Operating Margin @ 0.00%	water sewer Combined	228,293 195,600 423,893	223,165 192,119	5,127 3,482	\$ \$	33.63 29.93	\$ \$	53.41 36.27
Operating Margin @ 5.00%	water sewer total	243,588 208,705 452,293	238,117 204,990	5,471 3,715	\$ \$	35.88 31.93	\$ \$	56.99 38.70
Operating Margin @ 10.00%	water sewer total	261,710 224,233 485,943	255,832 220,241	5,878 3,991	\$ \$	38.55 34.31	\$ \$	61.23 41.58
Operating Margin @ 15.00%	water sewer total	288,154 246,889 535,043	281,682 242,494	6,472 4,395	\$ \$	42.45 37.77	\$ \$	67.42 45.78
Operating Margin @ 20.00%	water sewer total	326,715 279,928 606,643	319,377 274,945	7,338 4,983	\$ \$	48.13 42.83	\$ \$	76.44 51.90
Operating Margin @ 25.00%	water sewer total	377,232 323,211 700,443	368,759 317,458	8,473 5,753	\$ \$	55.57 49.45	\$	88.26 59.93
Operating Margin @ 28.68% Proposed Increase	water sewer total	424,620 363,813 788,433	415,083 357,337	9,537 6,476	\$ \$	62.55 55.66	\$ \$	99.35 67.46